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ADOLPHUS BLAIR, of Richmond, Va., was born January 31st, 1842, and died November 1st, 1893. He was the son of John H. Blair, and Auditor of Richmond and Danville Railroad Company, and a grandson of John G. Blair, cashier of the Farmers' and Exchange Bank, an institution in existence before the late war. The famous Parson Blair was his great-grandfather. His mother, Miss Lucy Mayo, was a member of the well-known family of that name. At the age of sixteen Mr. Blair entered the Confederate army and served throughout the war, rising to the rank of captain. He was wounded five times while participating in the battles of Seven Pines and Bull Run, and in the charge of Pickett's Division at Gettysburg. After the close of the war Mr. Blair established himself in business in Richmond, in which city he spent the remainder of his life, holding a position of prominence in business, religious and social circles.

DR. W. B. TOWLES was born March 7, 1847, at Columbia, Fluvanna county, Va., and was the son of a well-known physician. His ancestry is traced back through his grandfather, Major Oliver Towles, of the war of 1812, to his great-grandfather, Colonel Oliver Towles of the Sixth regiment of the Line in the Revolutionary war, who was also among the founders of the Society of the Cincinnati. In 1863, when barely 16 years old, he left his home to enter the reserve corps of the Confederate States army. A few months later he was put upon active duty, and continued in the military service until the close of the civil war.

The two succeeding years were spent upon the farm of his father who had moved to Cumberland county, in 1854, in the management of the farm and in private study. In 1867, he entered the University of Virginia, and, in a single session, completed the medical course and attained the degree of M. D., in spite of an illness of more than six weeks. From 1868, to 1872 he was engaged in the practice of medicine in Missouri, and in 1872 he returned to the University of Virginia as demonstrator for the accomplished anatomist, Dr. John Staige Davis. In 1885, upon the death of Dr. Davis, he was promoted to the full chair, which he filled with the highest degree of efficiency up to the day of his death, which occurred September 15, 1893.

WILLIAM THOMAS SUTHERLIN, of Danville, Va., was the eldest son of George S. and Mary Norman Sutherlin, and was born near Danville, April 7th, 1822. His education was acquired in private schools in Pittsylvania and Franklin counties. On reaching manhood he settled in Danville and entered into trade as a dealer in leaf tobacco, in which business he continued until the beginning of the war, amassing a very handsome fortune.

From 1855 to 1861, Mr. Sutherlin was mayor of Danville, and in 1861, he was elected to represent his community in the Convention which